

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Yuichi Ikeda, et al. **Examiner:** Matthew J. Kasztejna
Serial No: 10/673,122 **Art Unit:** 3739
Filed: September 26, 2003 **Docket:** 17057
For: ELECTRIC BENDING
ENDOSCOPE **Dated:** May 19, 2009
Conf. No.: 1307

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 25, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Patent & Trademark Office via Electronic Filing through the United States Patent and Trademark Office e-business website on the date set forth below.

Dated: May 19, 2009

/Thomas Spinelli/
Thomas Spinelli